IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-13 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for processing a voice call establishment request ~~(5-0)~~ from an calling terminal ~~(A)~~ to a called terminal ~~(B)~~, the method comprising:

detecting the call establishment request ~~(5-0)~~;

in response to said detecting, alerting ~~(3-4; 5-6)~~ the called terminal ~~(B)~~; and

setting up a two-way connection ~~(5-14; 5-24 ... 5-28)~~ between the calling terminal ~~(A)~~ and the called terminal ~~(B)~~;

~~characterized by~~wherein the method further comprises:

determining ~~(3-10; 3-14; 5-8)~~ that a two-way voice call between the calling terminal ~~(A)~~ and the called terminal ~~(B)~~ is not allowed; and

receiving silent messages ~~(5-14; 5-24)~~ via a user interface ~~(UI)~~ of said called terminal ~~(B)~~ and/or calling terminal ~~(A)~~ and conveying ~~(5-14; 5-26 ... 5-28)~~ information based on said silent messages to the calling terminal ~~(A)~~ and/or called terminal ~~(B)~~, respectively.

2. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said determining is based on detecting a predetermined input ~~(3-10, 5-8)~~ via the user interface ~~(UI)~~ of the called terminal ~~(B)~~ after said alerting.

3. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said determining is based on detecting ~~(3-14)~~ a predetermined profile ~~(PR, 80)~~ associated with the called terminal ~~(B)~~, the profile being set prior to said alerting.

4. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the two-way connection is or comprises a chat connection ~~(5-14)~~.

5. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said conveying comprises converting ~~(5-26)~~ said silent messages to speech.

6. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said converting comprises text-to-speech synthesis.

7. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said converting comprises receiving an indication of one ~~(64)~~ of a plurality of predetermined voice messages ~~(64)~~.

8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said plurality of predetermined voice messages is dimensioned such that any predetermined voice message is selectable without moving fingers on the user interface ~~(UI, 61-63)~~.

9. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the determining step is carried out by a network element ~~(MS)~~.

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 5, ~~characterized in~~

~~that~~ wherein the converting step is carried out by a network element ~~(MS)~~.

11. (Currently Amended) An apparatus ~~(MS, MS')~~ for processing a voice call establishment request ~~(5-0)~~ from an calling terminal ~~(A)~~ to a called terminal ~~(B)~~, the called terminal comprising alerting means for alerting a user and means for setting up a two-way connection ~~(5-14; 5-24 ... 5-28)~~ between the calling terminal ~~(A)~~ and the called terminal ~~(B);~~,

the apparatus ~~(MS, MS')~~ comprising means for detecting the call establishment request ~~(5-0)~~; ~~and~~

~~characterized by~~wherein the apparatus further comprises:

means for determining ~~(3-10; 3-14; 5-8)~~ that a two-way voice call between the calling terminal ~~(A)~~ and the called terminal ~~(B)~~ is not allowed;

means for receiving silent messages ~~(5-14; 5-24)~~ via the called terminal's user interface ~~(UI)~~; and

means for conveying ~~(5-14; 5-26 ... 5-28)~~ information based on said silent messages to the calling terminal ~~(A)~~.

12. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 11, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the apparatus ~~(MS)~~ is located in a network element.

13. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 11, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the apparatus ~~(MS')~~ is located in the called terminal ~~(B, 102)~~.

Please add new claims 14-16 as follows:

14. (New) An apparatus for processing a voice call establishment request from an calling terminal to a called terminal, the called terminal comprising alerting means for alerting a user and means for setting up a two-way connection between the calling terminal and the called terminal, the apparatus being configured to detect the call establishment request;

wherein the apparatus is further configured to:

determine that a two-way voice call between the calling terminal and the called terminal is not allowed;

receive silent messages via the called terminal's user interface; and

convey information based on said silent messages to the calling terminal.

15. (New) An apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the apparatus is located in a network element.

16. (New) An apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the apparatus is located in the called terminal.